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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN AND NORTHERN DISTRICTS OF CALIFORNIA

RALPH COLEMAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

GAVIN NEWSOM, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:90-cv-0520 KJM SCR P

**ORDER REGARDING SUPERSEDING
COORDINATION AGREEMENTS**

JOHN ARMSTRONG, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

GAVIN NEWSOM, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 94-cv-02307-CW

MARCIANO PLATA, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

GAVIN NEWSOM, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 01-cv-01351-JST

The above three cases, as well as *Perez v. Tilton*, Case No. 05-cv-05241 JSW (N.D. Cal.),

are currently governed by a set of coordination agreements that were adopted as orders of the court in 2007 and 2008. *Armstrong* ECF Nos. 1192, 1284, 1292, 1301, 1364; *Coleman* ECF Nos. 2300, 2696, 2711, 2739, 3073; *Plata* ECF Nos. 737, 1107, 1123, 1151, 1545. The *Coleman* court directed the recently appointed *Coleman* Receiver to discuss these coordination agreements with the *Plata* Receiver and *Armstrong* Court Expert and “propose modifications to the coordination

1 agreements for [the *Coleman*] court's consideration in consultation with the *Plata* and *Armstrong*
2 courts." *Coleman* ECF No. 8753 at 5. *Perez* has since been closed and is no longer an active
3 case.

4 The three court representatives have proposed to the courts that the existing coordination
5 agreements be superseded because they are outdated following the appointment of the *Coleman*
6 Receiver, the closure of the *Perez* case, and the completion of many of the projects that were the
7 subjects of those agreements. However, they recognize—as do the *Coleman*, *Armstrong*, and
8 *Plata* courts—the continued value of coordination between these cases, which involve overlapping
9 classes of incarcerated persons. Accordingly, the court representatives have proposed the
10 following new coordination agreement to supersede all existing agreements:

11 The *Plata* and *Coleman* Receivers and the *Armstrong* Court Expert
12 will continue to coordinate by:

- 13 • Working collaboratively, including by routinely sharing
information, to address issues that cut across more than one
case.
- 14 • Communicating decisions on cross-cutting issues to the
relevant parties.
- 15 • Directing inquiries about specific cases to the appropriate
court representative(s).
- 16 • Updating the courts on significant coordination issues and
seeking court guidance when necessary.

17 Any party objecting to the adoption of this proposed agreement, including that all prior
18 coordination agreements be superseded, shall file objections in all three cases within 14 days of
19 the date of this order. Absent any objections, the undersigned will adopt the proposed agreement
20 as an order of the three courts.

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Senior United States District Judge

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